

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** the YWCA has a long and proud history of empowering women and families, fostering racial justice, and preventing violence; and

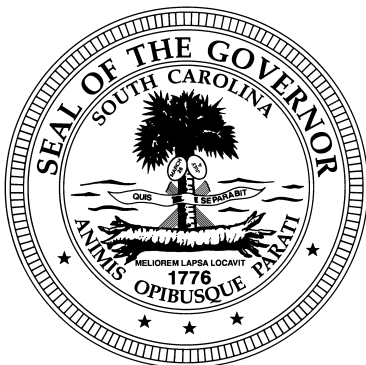
**WHEREAS,** through 324 local member associations with programs in thousands of communities across the nation, the YWCA provides a wide range of programs and services, including battered women's shelters, counseling, childcare, support for victims of rape and sexual assault, job training, sports and fitness, and legal advocacy; and

**WHEREAS,** the 2003 observance of YWCA Week Without Violence focuses attention on practical and sustainable alternatives to violence, with programs at YWCA locations, schools, community organizations, neighborhoods, and workplaces.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 19 – 25, 2003, as

### YWCA WEEK WITHOUT VIOLENCE

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to create effective alternatives for violence.



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**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**